

**1992
AMERICAN
EAGLE
PROOF
COINS**



UNITED STATES MINT NUMISMATIC CALENDAR 1993

Early U.S. Mint, Denver, Colorado.



JANUARY

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- 8 Carson City (NV) Mint opened for receipt of bullion, 1870.
- Fort Knox (KY) Bullion Depository officially opened, 1937.
- 11 First Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton born, 1757.
- 25 United States Mint name officially changed from Bureau of the Mint, 1984.
- 29 Congress authorized the Mint to manufacture coins for foreign countries, 1874.

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- 1 St. Louis Assay Office authorized, 1881.
- 11 First Kennedy half dollars struck, 1964.
- 12 Congress established the Mint as a Treasury Department Bureau, 1873.
- 19 Congress established U.S. Assay Office in Boise (ID), 1869.
- Congress acted to establish Assay Office in Deadwood (SD), 1897.
- 20 Congress provided for the establishment of a Mint in Denver, formerly U.S. Assay Office, 1895.

Striking the first coins.



MARCH

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- 3 Joint Resolution to authorize a Mint for the United States of America, 1791.
- Congress established branch Mints at New Orleans, Charlotte, and Dahlonega (GA), and provided for the use of mint marks on branch mint coins, 1835.
- Act of Congress authorized first gold dollars for circulation, 1849.
- Carson City (NV) Mint established, 1863.
- 31 West Point (NY) Bullion Depository officially accorded Mint status, 1988.
- Seattle Assay Office closed, 1955.
- First Eisenhower dollar struck, 1971.

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- 2 United States Mint established in Philadelphia by an Act of Congress, 1792.
- 8 David Rittenhouse, first Mint Director, born, 1732.
- 14 First Mint Director David Rittenhouse confirmed, 1792.
- 18 San Francisco Earthquake, 1906. S.F. Mint operated as an emergency clearinghouse bank, aiding in the city's reconstruction.
- 22 Congress authorized two-cent piece. The first time the motto "IN GOD WE TRUST" appeared on U.S. coinage, 1864.

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- 12 Congress approved Helena (MT) Assay Office, 1874.
- 13 President Bush signed into law an Act authorizing the minting of coins commemorating the White House (1992), Christopher Columbus (1992), the Bill of Rights (1993), and the soccer World Cup (1994), 1992.
- 16 Congress authorized the Mint to issue the first five-cent coins, 1866.
- 28 For the first time since 1964, proof coin sets containing 90% silver half dollars, quarters and dimes were offered, 1992.
- 30 Salt Lake City Assay Office authorized, 1908.

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- 7 After being court-martialed, W.B. Mumford was hanged from the porch of the New Orleans Mint for pulling down the Mint's U.S. flag in an act of Civil War defiance, 1862.
- 15 U.S. Mint Bicentennial medal issued, 1992.
- 16 The Old San Francisco Mint was reopened as a public museum, 1973.
- 30 St. Louis Assay Office closed, 1911.
- Deadwood (SD) Assay Office closed, 1927.
- Boise, Helena, Salt Lake City Assay Offices closed, 1933.

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- 3 San Francisco Mint established, 1852.
- 6 Congress resolved that the monetary unit of the United States of America would be the dollar, and that the smallest denomination coin would be copper, 1785.
- 9 Congress authorized minting of silver bullion coins, now known as American Eagles, 1985.
- 11 Alexander Hamilton shot in a duel with former U.S. Vice President Aaron Burr over personal and political differences, 1804. Hamilton perished the following day.
- 23 Coinage Act of 1965, removed silver from circulating dimes and quarters and reduced the silver content of the half dollar from 90% to 40%.
- 31 "Foundation Stone" laid for first Philadelphia Mint, 1792.

AUGUST

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- 5 First commemorative coin, Columbian half dollar, authorized by Congress, 1892.
- 12 Ceremonial first striking of U.S. Bicentennial coinage, 1974.
- Last shipment of gold from N.Y. Assay Office transferred to the West Point Bullion Depository, 1982.
- 23 First clad coins struck at Philadelphia Mint, 1965.
- 28 Columbus Quincentenary Coin Program launched, 1992. Marked the 500th anniversary of the discovery of America.

SEPTEMBER

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- 2 Treasury Department established, 1789.
- 8 First American Eagle gold bullion coins struck, 1986.
- 13 Los Angeles Olympic \$10 commemorative gold coin struck at West Point Bullion Depository, 1983. First gold coin issued in 50 years.
- 26 Legislation stipulated that coin designs must be used for at least 25 years before new designs may be considered, 1890.

OCTOBER

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- 10 New York Assay Office commenced operations, 1854.
- Susan B. Anthony dollar authorized, 1978.
- 18 Congress authorized design changes to one dollar, half dollar and quarter dollar coins to mark U.S. Bicentennial, 1973.
- 20 American Eagle gold bullion coins launched, 1986.
- 30 Vietnam Veterans National Medal authorized, 1984.

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- 4 Statue of Liberty Commemorative Coins launched, 1985.
- 15 Congress authorized 90% silver half dollars, quarters and dimes for inclusion in silver proof coin sets, 1990.
- 24 American Eagle silver bullion coins launched, 1986.

DECEMBER

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- 14 First Lafayette dollars minted, 1899 (dated 1900); first coins to bear a likeness of a U.S. President, George Washington.
- 23 Public Law 97-104 authorized George Washington Commemorative Half Dollars, 1981. First commemorative coin in 28 years.
- 30 New York Assay Office closed, 1982.
- 31 Silver was removed from circulating half dollars, 1970.
- Ban on private ownership of gold, instituted in 1933, lifted, 1974.

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|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------|----------|
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| One-Half Ounce | 50,000 | P | .500 | 27.0 | 285.00 |
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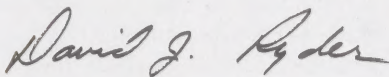
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David J. Ryder
Acting Director of the Mint

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